Time for review?

Practice tutor perceptions of clinical performance assessment in physiotherapy practice education

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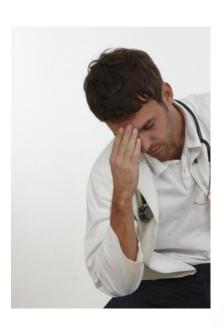
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Setting the scene





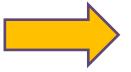


Research Objectives

Methods

Strand 1

 Identify & synthesise evidence related to clinical performance assessment tools

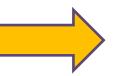


Systematic Review*



Strand 2

- Explore factors informing decision-making processes
- Identify challenges & facilitators of process

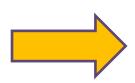


Student Focus Groups

 Practice Educator & Practice Education Teams in-depth interviews

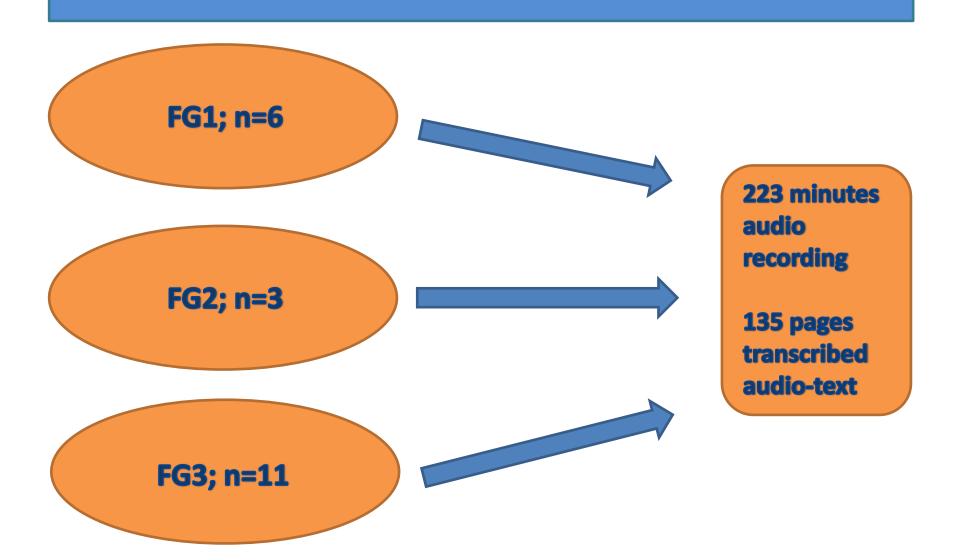


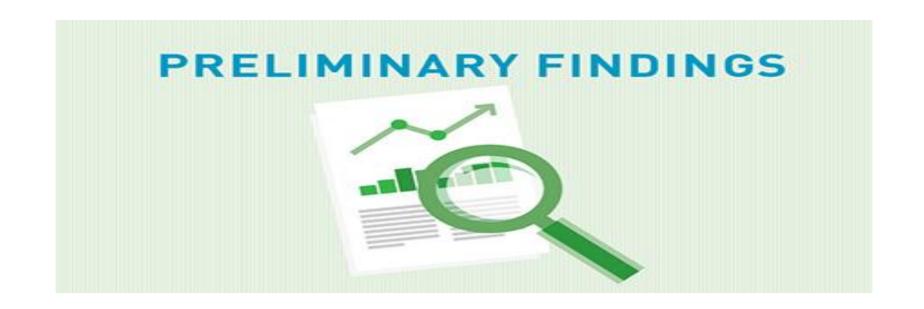
 Determine preferences of key stakeholders towards optimisation of the process



Discrete Choice
Experiment with three stakeholder groups

Methods





Themes

- Conflict stemming from inconsistencies in assessment process
- Decision-making processes employed during grading
- Solution-finding through reflection & educational expertise

Discussion



PT findings corroborate with student findings but perspectives are different:

- Students- external locus of control
- PTs- reflective analytical approach

The current assessment process:

- If PT model = more standardised approach, should it be available to all students? Is this feasible?
- Inconsistencies discussed demand a review of training for educators, but how?

Where to now?

- Implications of this study
- Within context of overall research question



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